THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) to (d) The Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance submitted its Report on Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Bill, 2000 in December, 2001. Government will move for consideration and passing of the Bill by Parliament in the Budget Session.

Implementation of schemes

†1280. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Singh lax on Sinha's promises", which appeared in "Business Standard" dated 10th January, 2003;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that only 21 schemes have been implemented so far out of 61 announced by the Finance Minister in his Budget speech for the year 2002-03;

(c) if not, the facts thereof alongwith the total number of schemes implemented so far; and

(d) the details of the plan formulated by Government for the remaining schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) While presenting the General Budget 2003-04, the Finance Minister has also laid on the Table of the House, a brochure containing status of implementation of all the announcements made in the General Budget 2002-03. Out of 87, action has been completed on 49 announcements and the remaining are at the various stages of implementation by different Ministries/Departments.

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